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SUBJ: PROBLEMS IN SRI LANKA FOR EAGLE SHIRT COMPANY

REF: A. COLOMBO 1482; B. STATE 094004

1. EMBOFF DID NOT ATTEND APRIL 28 MEETING BETWEEN EAGLE SHIRT REPS AND GSL OFFICIALS AT REQUEST OF DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE DIRECTOR SAMARANAYAKE. SAMARANAYAKE SAID HE THOUGHT OFFICIALS FROM OTHER GSL AGENCIES WOULD BE MORE FORTHCOMING WITHOUT EMBOFF'S PRESENCE.

2. ACCORDING TO LOCAL EAGLE REP WILLIAM WALLACE, APRIL 28 MEETING WENT VERY WELL. GSL OFFICIALS TOLD EAGLE REPS THEY ARE ANXIOUS FOR EAGLE TO STAY AND SUCCEED IN SRI LANKA, AND EVERY EFFORT WOULD BE MADE TO IRON OUT IMPORT, EXPORT, AND FOREIGN EXCHANGE PROBLEMS. WALLACE SAID HE IS NOW WAITING TO SEE WHAT EFFECT THESE PROMISES WILL HAVE ON CLEARING PIECE GOODS NOW HELD BY CUSTOMS.

3. WALLACE SAID EAGLE CHAIRMAN MILLER HARRIS ARRIVED APRIL 29 AND DEPARTED NEXT DAY. HARRIS DID NOT CONTACT EMBASSY.

4. REGARDING DASA'S FUTURE, LSSP LEADER N.M. PERERA MADE AN
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INTERESTING COMMENT DURING A RECENT POLITICAL SPEECH. PERERA SAID THAT SINCE DASA KNEW HE WOULD BE FINISHED IF EITHER CONSERVATIVE UNITED NATIONAL PARTY OR LEFT UNITED FRONT WINS ELECTION, DASA WAS TRYING TO HAVE PRESENT GSL NATIONALIZE HIS TEXTILE COMPANY, PAY COMPENSATION, AND THEN ALLOW HIM TO REMIT FUNDS ABROAD BEFORE ELECTIONS. REED

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